

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the application. All claims were rejected, and all rejections are traversed.

The objections to the specification and figures are noted, and the Examiner is thanked for noting the inconsistency in some element numbers. A substitute sheet for Figure 2 is submitted, and the specification is amended above, and these objections are believed obviated and are therefore traversed.

CLAIM REJECTIONS -- 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) unpatentable over *Teper* (U.S. Patent No. 5,815,665, hereinafter *Teper*) in view of *Shavit* (U.S. Patent No. 4,799,156, hereinafter *Shavit*).

The independent claims have been amended to include a feature, as supported, *e.g.*, at paragraph 0029 of the specification as filed, including, in response to receiving a user selection of a service, automatically initiating a workflow process that obtains authorization for the service from a user management. This feature is not taught or suggested by any art of record, alone or in combination.

As all independent claims include limitations not taught or suggested by the art of record, all rejections are traversed.

All rejections are traversed and prompt reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

As a result of the foregoing, the Applicant asserts that the remaining Claims in the Application are in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests an early allowance of such Claims.

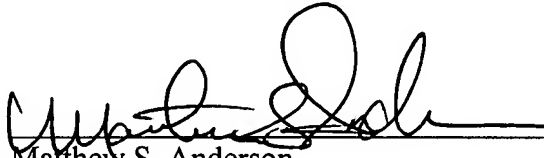
If any issues arise, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this Application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *manderson@munckbutrus.com*.

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